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STRAWS SHOW DIRECTION OF POLITICAL WIND

It is not too early to make some deductions from the sentiment of the people regarding their preference for president, as reflected in the primary results in a number of states.

Senator Hiram Johnson of California has taken first place among the Republican contenders by reason of his outspoken and uncompromising opposition to the league of nations covenant. He is the most formidable candidate in the party at present He is a progressive of the Roosevelt type, whose ascendency gains momentum as the campaign proceeds. He is making the fight without a campaign fund. He has never dodged an issue since he destroyed the grasp of the Southern Pacific railroad on the people of California, and restored the illegitimate holdings of the corporate interests to their rightful owners. He is a spec-

Gov. Lowden of Illinois is still well along in the race, but his progress at present is not notable. Gov. Lowden is a man of splendid ability, courage and conviction, but he is not radical. There is not enough of the sensational about him to excite the multitude. He pronounced himself in favor of the league of nations with the Lodge reservations. He seems to belong to that unfortunate class of candidates that Senator Borah said the people would go to sleep on if they advocate the league with reservations, or express a willingness to accept reservations that will not nullify the covenant.

Gen. Leonard Wood is still a strong contender, but he has dropped behind Senator Johnson as the favorite. Gen. Wood has the advantage of Frank Hitchcock as his manager and the Old Guard as his supporters, but he is suffering from the curse of too large a campaign fund. He has the stamp of "big interests," which exert a powerful influence in states where Republicans are far in the minority, but which discredit a candidate where the party dominates the state. His backing is powerful, and he will be a contender until the nomination is made.

The Democrats believe their best prospect for victory is with Gen. Wood as the Republican nominee. Organized labor is likely to turn against him because of his method of handling strike situations in several large industrial centers. This is also one of the secrets of his strength. The opposition to Johnson in the East, on the other hand, is because of his friendliness to labor.

Herbert Hoover is not likely to be a factor in the convention as a personality or because of the number of delegates he will have. His strength has waned since he expressed a willingness to make the race for president on the Republican ticket. The

If It Isn't One Thing It's Another-By Briggs



The Question Box?

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Q.—Who are the leading presidential Q. Has any of the treasure sunconstitution of the two great parties? during the war been recovered?

THE HASKIN LETTER

IS THE FLAG ON THE SEA TO STAY?

BY FREDERIC J. HASKIN.

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NEW YORK, April 28,-is our war-orn merchant fleet a mushroom growth should continue to function.

In the first place, many of our old expert markets have been destroyed or phere of excitement and necessity that oreated it, or is the United States to take a permanent place among the great shipping nations, and to become independent of hired carriers in its export trade?

This important question is being energetically put to the American people by the National Marine league. As the league states its own purpose, it desires to awaken in the American people a voting and and investing interest in the American merchant marine.

The league sets forth two major assumptions, both of which seem sound. The first is that we can not have a merchant marine unless the people are really interested in one and want it. The second is that we how need a merchant marine more than ever before.



Daily Editorial Digest

THIS column is designed to reproduce without bias the latest comment by the leading newspapers and periodicals on the questions of the day.

military service a wide range of opinion on the subject has been expressed by the newspapers of the country.

"What sort of statesmanshp," demands the Spokane Spokeman Review (Ind. Rep.) is it that requires "that had hever had a warning lesson?"

"A medisure of excuss," it continues, "might have been found four years ago ... The country had not then learned the lessons of the war. It trusted to Bryan, the president and other pacifist flict. It is different now. The country knows the pacifists were wrong and the prophetic parriots were right, who urged praparedness. Yet some of the perfence."

And to this the Tacoma Ledger (Ind.) responds that "little Americanism is triumphant," for "the pacifists of three years ago rise from the ashes on," for it believes that "military service will be in the same stress is willing to do his bidding."

The Kansas City Star (Ind.) is confident, however, "that the fight will go on," for it believes that "military congress has been dereift in its dity," and further asserts that "no gystem of isfactory in an emergency." The Port Huron Times-Heraid (Ind.) supports this belief with a statement that the voluntary plan is "a weak makeshift, while the Kansas City Times (Ind.) accompany in a statement that the voluntary in a statement had been a supposed to the voluntary in the word in the voluntary income tax. How much revenue would a voluntary income tax broduce."

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AND PUBLIC schools.

AND GET fresh air.

AND NOT get sick.

FD LIKE to ask them.

IF THERE'S any way.

SO WE can go back.

TO THE good old days.

WHEN A table for six. IN A restaurant.

WAS SOMETHING more. THAN A table for three.

WITH THREE chairs added, AND TO like to know. 1F THERE'S any way. WE COULD pass a law. LIKE THE cattle have.

WHEN THEY load them in cars.

FROM THE table you have.

AND THAT the furs.

THAT THE lady hangs. ON THE back of her chair. WHEN SHE'S sitting down. AT THE other table.

RIGHT NEXT to mine. SHOULD NOT be permitted.

TO LAP my soup. AND SCATTER hair. ALL OVER my food. AND THE reason I write. IS BECAUSE last night, MY WIFE and I. GAVE A dinner for mix. IN A restaurant. AT A table for three. AND ALL around us. WERE DINNERS for four.

AT TABLES for two. AND DINNERS for eight.

AT TABLES for four.

AND ALL of the tables.

WERE CROWDED together. AND ONE of the chairs. THAT BACKED into us. HAD A long fur tall. HANGING OVER the back.

OR THE saffors have. WHEN THEY go to sea. THAT WOULD provide, THAT THE table I have. SHOULD HE removed. SO MANY feet.

IT CAN be fixed.

SO THAT men can breathe.

No issue since the war itself has stirred up such a bitter exchange of uncomplimentary accusation between "pacificts" and "militarists," as they choose to label each other, as the discussion of America's future army. Brought to a head by the senate's substitution of voluntary or compulsory military service a wide range of opinion on the subject has been expressed by the newspapers of the country.

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"Why should we permit a militant minority," demands the Rochester Democrat and Chrunicle (Rep.) "to destroy our hopes and ambitions by making of America an armed camp and depriving our country of the products of the brawn and brain of our young manhood? It would be a blow to American people to find that we had become a military nation."

To these sentiments the Rochester Development

(REG.U.S.PAT. OFF.) BY K.C.B.

WHOEVER IT is. AND WHEN the lady would move. WHO HAS anything to do. SHE'D SWISH it around. WITH THE amount of space. AND WHEN we were through. THEY MUST have in factories.

IT WAS all smeared up. WITH SALAD dressing. AND ASPARAGUS soup. AND CHILDREN can breathe. AND WHEN the lady got up. SHE GOT it on her chest. AND THE sa'ad dressing was red. AND SHE looked like she was

> AND A waiter wanted to wipe it off. AND THE lady got sore. AND IT was an awful mess. I THANK you,

HOROSCOPE

TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 1920.
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Mars and Venus are in benefic aspect during the carly hours of this day, according to astrology, but later Saturn and Uranus are strongly adverse.

During this rule it is well to be exceedingly cautious, for it is unusually easy to be misled. Business projects most alluring should be carefully considered.

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The whole tendency in the business world will be more and more toward immense undertakings that include many countries and involve millions, the seers forecast, but they warn of new forces that will work against commercial autocracy.

The stars read as foreshadowing co-operation and communism seem to pre-

fultious condition not counted on among legislators or financiers.

Again Venus seems to smile upon human ambitions. This should be a human ambitions. This should be a fortunate rule for women who desire to fortunate rule for women who desire to attain places of authority.

Education is to offer a woman some great national opportunity, but not until there is a critical condition in schools and colleges.

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false confidence, the seers declare, since
army officers will not attain to the
highest place in government affairs.
Again it is prophested that the partial eclipse of the sun next month will
be most serious in its effect on Ireland,
Persia and Asia Minor. It is read
as unfortunate for agriculture, causing
a scarcity of the fruits of the earth.
The prince of Wales, having the sun
close t. Mercury, may marry within
the year. His popularity will spread
around the globe.
Persons whose birthdate it is should
beware of false promise. Traveling and
changes in business or residence locations may not be fortunate. Business
affairs should be pushed along old lines.
Children born on this day may meet
with many vicisitudes in life, but they
are likely to have many interesting experioness. Many actors and artists asse

to have many interesting ex Many actors and artists arborn under this sign, Venus being the principal ruling planet.

EX-KAISER IS GIVEN **VOTE OF THANKS**

BERLIN, April 26. (By the Associated Press.)—A vote of thanks to former Emperor William, as the "last temporal head of the Protestant state church," was given at the closing session of the annual general synod. The synod also paid a tribute to the former monarch and his consort, for having "in many ways testified to their practical Christian spinit by works of love toward their brethren."